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3 * Section 1. AS 22.15.030(a) is amended to read:

4 (a) The district court has jurisdiction of civil cases, including foreign
5 judgments filed under AS 09.30.200 and arbitration proceedings under AS 09.43.170,
6 as follows:

7 (1) for the recovery of money or damages when the amount claimed
8 exclusive of costs, interest, and attorney fees does not exceed \$50,000 for each
9 defendant;

10 (2) for the recovery of specific personal property, when the value of
11 the property claimed and the damages for the detention do not exceed \$50,000;

12 (3) for the recovery of a penalty or forfeiture, whether given by statute
13 or arising out of contract, not exceeding \$50,000;

14 (4) to give judgment without action upon the confession of the
15 defendant for any of the cases specified in this section, except for a penalty or

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- 1 forfeiture imposed by statute;
- 2 (5) for establishing the fact of death or cause and manner of death of
- 3 any person in the manner prescribed in AS 09.55.020 - 09.55.069;
- 4 (6) for the recovery of the possession of premises in the manner
- 5 provided under AS 09.45.070 - 09.45.160 when the value of the arrears and damage to
- 6 the property does not exceed \$50,000;
- 7 (7) for the foreclosure of a lien when the amount in controversy does
- 8 not exceed \$50,000;
- 9 (8) for the recovery of money or damages in motor vehicle tort cases
- 10 when the amount claimed exclusive of costs, interest, and attorney fees does not
- 11 exceed \$50,000 **for each defendant**;
- 12 (9) over civil actions for taking utility service and for damages to or
- 13 interference with a utility line filed under AS 42.20.030;
- 14 (10) over cases involving protective orders for domestic violence
- 15 under AS 18.66.100 - 18.66.180.